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BOWLING SCORES LAST NIGHT.

DISTRICT LEAGUE.			
Samuels	141	24	34
Allen	145	27	37
Burline	149	31	41
Knight	152	34	44
Reister	157	37	47
Muller	162	40	50
Totals	876	167	208

REAL ESTATE LEAGUE.			
Burnett	141	24	34
Barry	145	27	37
Loeffler	149	31	41
King	152	34	44
Hart	157	37	47
Hunt	162	40	50
Totals	876	167	208

NATIONAL GUARD LEAGUE.			
Co. L	141	24	34
Co. M	145	27	37
Co. N	149	31	41
Co. O	152	34	44
Co. P	157	37	47
Co. Q	162	40	50
Totals	876	167	208

DEPARTMENTAL LEAGUE.			
Burnett	141	24	34
Barry	145	27	37
Loeffler	149	31	41
King	152	34	44
Hart	157	37	47
Hunt	162	40	50
Totals	876	167	208

RAILWAY LEAGUE.			
T. and R.	141	24	34
Norfolk	145	27	37
Rivers	149	31	41
O'Connell	152	34	44
Scrub	157	37	47
Herbert	162	40	50
Totals	876	167	208

CHURCH LEAGUE.			
St. Paul	141	24	34
St. Peter	145	27	37
St. John	149	31	41
St. Mary	152	34	44
St. Michael	157	37	47
St. Francis	162	40	50
Totals	876	167	208

NAVY YARD LEAGUE.			
W.G.C.R.	141	24	34
W.G.C.R.	145	27	37
W.G.C.R.	149	31	41
W.G.C.R.	152	34	44
W.G.C.R.	157	37	47
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Totals	876	167	208

THE FINALS OF THE DUCK-PLT TOURNAMENT.			
Edger	141	24	34
Schmidt	145	27	37
Roberts	149	31	41
Michael	152	34	44
Farron	157	37	47
M. Fenton	162	40	50
Kitt	167	43	53
O'Hannon	172	46	56
Philips	177	49	59
Totals	1,044	200	250

BOWLING SCHEDULES.			
DEPARTMENTAL LEAGUE.	(Palace alleys)		
Tuesday—War vs. Navy.			
Wednesday—Commissioners vs. G. P. O.			
Thursday—Post office vs. Interior.			
Friday—Treasury vs. Agriculture.			

G. P. O. LEAGUE.			
(Palace alleys)			
Tuesday—Index vs. Foundry.			
Thursday—Actives vs. Reserve.			
Friday—Morocco vs. Cowboys.			

PLATE PRINTERS' LEAGUE.			
(Bradley's alleys)			
Tuesday—New York vs. Boston.			
Thursday—Philadelphia vs. St. Louis.			
Saturday—Washington vs. Chicago.			

REAL ESTATE LEAGUE.			
(Palace alleys)			
Wednesday—Columbia vs. Lawyers.			

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEAGUE.			
(Y. M. C. A.)			
Wednesday—Pleasant vs. Western.			
Friday—Foundry vs. Bellamy.			

BIDNERS' LEAGUE.			
(Royal alleys)			
Wednesday—Foundry vs. Stamps.			
Friday—Blanks vs. Riders.			

RAILWAY RELIEF LEAGUE.			
(On own alleys)			
Wednesday—Northern vs. Southern.			
Friday—Northern vs. General Office.			

NAVY YARD LEAGUE.			
(Capitol Hill alleys)			
Tuesday—E. G. C. vs. B. M. Shop.			
Wednesday—Tool Shop vs. S. M. Shop.			
Thursday—Tool Shop vs. S. M. Shop.			
Friday—Fudge Shop vs. Foundry.			

CHURCH LEAGUE.			
(Royal alleys)			
Wednesday—St. John's vs. Westminster.			
Friday—Sixth vs. St. Mark's.			

NATIONAL GUARD LEAGUE.			
(Palace alleys)			
Tuesday—Ambulance Corps vs. Co. I.			
Wednesday—Co. M. 1st Regt. vs. Co. C. 2d Regt.			
Thursday—Co. A. 2d Regt. vs. Co. G. 2d Regt.			
Friday—Co. M. 2d Regt. vs. Co. G. 1st Regt.			
Saturday—Co. E. 1st Regt. vs. Naval Battalion.			

Y. M. C. A. LEAGUE.			
(On own alleys)			
Tuesday—Coke vs. Roberts.			
Thursday—Hammer vs. Gammel.			
Saturday—Garden vs. Mowry.			

COMMERCIAL DUCKPIN LEAGUE.			
(Palace alleys)			
Wednesday—Moss vs. Rich, Diamond Alley.			
Friday—Lansdown vs. Hahn, Sparrow's Alley.			

DISTRICT DUCKPIN LEAGUE.			
(Palace alleys)			
Tuesday—Royal vs. Belmonts, on Royal alleys.			
Wednesday—Georgetown vs. Rosedale, on Fat Men's alleys.			
Thursday—Bureau vs. Walk Over, on Sparrow's Alley.			
Friday—Eastern vs. Arlington, on Rathskeller Alley.			

BASKET-BALL SCHEDULES.			
PROFESSIONAL LEAGUE.	(W. L. I. Army.)		
Tuesday—Orleans vs. W. L. I.			
Friday—E. A. C. vs. Orleans.			

CITY LEAGUE.			
(Palace alleys)			
Wednesday—Corcoran vs. Shamrock, at Center Market gymnasium.			
Thursday—Carroll vs. Y. M. C. A., at Carroll Institute gymnasium.			

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GILD WINS IN DRIVE

Had to Be Hard Ridden to Beat James Riddick.

CITY PARK TRACK OPENING

Initial Handicap Furnished a Splendid Race at New Orleans' Opposition Track—Sam Hoffheimer Wins the Steeplechase—Bertha E. Beats Bill Phillips in the Last Race.

New Orleans, Dec. 10.—The scene of racing shifted to the City Park track to-day, with the initial handicap the feature of the card. Gild had to be hard ridden to defeat James Riddick in this event. Summary: First race—Two-year-olds; seven furlongs. Gild, 10 (Gardner), 4 to 1; Beau Brummel, 60 (Pisler), 3 to 1; second; Jacomo, 104 (Mountain), 1 to 2; third. Time, 1:29.25. Refined, Chase, John Kaufman, Doris, Sir Vagrant, and Kemp Riddick also ran.

Second race—Steeplechase; four-year-olds and upward; one and one-half miles. Dr. Sprull, 114 (Hennessey), 9 to 10; Grand Duchess, 110 (Mountain), 15 to 1; second; Foushica, 119 (Nioh), 9 to 1; third. Time, 1:59.15. Mr. Jack, Bouquet, La Cade, Belhaden, and Beecher also ran.

Third race—Steeplechase; four-year-olds and upward; short course. Sam Hoffheimer, 128 (Henry), 11 to 10; Dawson, 119 (McKinnley), 8 to 1; second; Harpington, 125 (Edison), 12 to 1; third. Time, 1:30.55. Little Wolf, Pies, Commandant, Scythe, Woolly, Henry A. Schneider, Parnassus, and Sigurd also ran.

Fourth race—Initial Handicap; three-year-olds and upward; one mile. Gild, 105 (Gardner), 7 to 10; James Riddick, 109 (Smith), 2 to 1; second; Elmo, 109 (Gloria), 2 to 1; third. Time, 1:42.54. Oberholzer, Jigger, Alma Dufour, Shawana, Jack Dolan, Minnie Adams, and Goldsmith also ran.

Fifth race—Three-year-olds and upward; five furlongs. Charlie Eastman, 111 (Mountain), 1 to 8; wags; Muffins, 107 (Russell), 4 to 1; second; Lady Young, 109 (Marster), 8 to 1; third. Time, 1:30.24. Eborner, Meross, and Defend also ran.

Sixth race—Three-year-olds; selling; six furlongs. Bertha E., 101 (Gardner), 8 to 1; second; Bill Phillips, 109 (Hennessey), 4 to 1; third; Marvel I., 104 (Johnson), 12 to 1; fourth. Time, 1:35.10. French Nun, Lady Carol, Quinn Brady, and St. Joseph also ran.

Entries for To-morrow.

First race—Five and one-half furlongs. Black Diamond, Robert Muller, Bill Dandy, and Alderman Goldie, 105 each; Orton, Dorian, Sandy Cather, and Goldie, 108 each; Eliza, 106; Jack, 107; second; 108; third; 109; fourth; 110; fifth; 111; sixth; 112; seventh; 113; eighth; 114; ninth; 115; tenth; 116; eleventh; 117; twelfth; 118; thirteenth; 119; fourteenth; 120; fifteenth; 121; sixteenth; 122; seventeenth; 123; eighteenth; 124; nineteenth; 125; twentieth; 126; twenty-first; 127; twenty-second; 128; twenty-third; 129; twenty-fourth; 130; twenty-fifth; 131; twenty-sixth; 132; twenty-seventh; 133; twenty-eighth; 134; twenty-ninth; 135; thirtieth; 136; thirty-first; 137; thirty-second; 138; thirty-third; 139; thirty-fourth; 140; thirty-fifth; 141; thirty-sixth; 142; thirty-seventh; 143; thirty-eighth; 144; thirty-ninth; 145; fortieth; 146; forty-first; 147; forty-second; 148; forty-third; 149; forty-fourth; 150; forty-fifth; 151; forty-sixth; 152; forty-seventh; 153; forty-eighth; 154; forty-ninth; 155; fiftieth; 156; fifty-first; 157; fifty-second; 158; fifty-third; 159; fifty-fourth; 160; fifty-fifth; 161; fifty-sixth; 162; fifty-seventh; 163; fifty-eighth; 164; fifty-ninth; 165; sixtieth; 166; sixty-first; 167; sixty-second; 168; sixty-third; 169; sixty-fourth; 170; sixty-fifth; 171; sixty-sixth; 172; sixty-seventh; 173; sixty-eighth; 174; sixty-ninth; 175; seventieth; 176; seventy-first; 177; seventy-second; 178; seventy-third; 179; seventy-fourth; 180; seventy-fifth; 181; seventy-sixth; 182; seventy-seventh; 183; seventy-eighth; 184; seventy-ninth; 185; eightieth; 186; eighty-first; 187; eighty-second; 188; eighty-third; 189; eighty-fourth; 190; eighty-fifth; 191; eighty-sixth; 192; eighty-seventh; 193; eighty-eighth; 194; eighty-ninth; 195; ninetieth; 196; ninety-first; 197; ninety-second; 198; ninety-third; 199; ninety-fourth; 200; ninety-fifth; 201; ninety-sixth; 202; ninety-seventh; 203; ninety-eighth; 204; ninety-ninth; 205; one hundredth.

Second race—One and one-half miles. Colonel Barrett, 121 (Bitter Root), 8 to 1; second; Roseberry, 90; Oberon, 141; Virgie Wilkes, Golden Mineral, and Huntington, 107 each; Fred Hornback, 112; Duke, 116; Lamondre and Gladiator, 109 each; Sealplock, 110; Foushica and Harnakis, 111 each.

Third race—One mile. Blahout, 107; Yads and Big Bow, 106 each; Alma Dufour, 103; Debar, 101; St. Valentine, 100.

Fourth race—Five furlongs. Miss Jesse, Burn Arnold, Goldbeck, Voting, and Windfall, 101 each; Bonart, Rilly Vertross, and Expect To See, 104 each; Charles at Los Angeles, 109; Mary Crodelene, 111; Sally Preston, 110; Sir Topham, 112; Regal Lad, 114; De. 118.

Fifth race—Three furlongs. Alship, 109; Little Jane, Martins, Matt Gentry, Alenon, Ordey, Auditor, and Rebo, 104 each; Rick, Cannon Ball, Harry Jack H. and Woodrow, 105 each; Toboggan, 110.

Sixth race—One mile. Blahout, 107; Yads and Big Bow, 106 each; Alma Dufour, 103; Debar, 101; St. Valentine, 100.

Seventh race—Five furlongs. Miss Jesse, Burn Arnold, Goldbeck, Voting, and Windfall, 101 each; Bonart, Rilly Vertross, and Expect To See, 104 each; Charles at Los Angeles, 109; Mary Crodelene, 111; Sally Preston, 110; Sir Topham, 112; Regal Lad, 114; De. 118.

Eighth race—Three furlongs. Alship, 109; Little Jane, Martins, Matt Gentry, Alenon, Ordey, Auditor, and Rebo, 104 each; Rick, Cannon Ball, Harry Jack H. and Woodrow, 105 each; Toboggan, 110.

Ninth race—One mile. Blahout, 107; Yads and Big Bow, 106 each; Alma Dufour, 103; Debar, 101; St. Valentine, 100.

Tenth race—Five furlongs. Miss Jesse, Burn Arnold, Goldbeck, Voting, and Windfall, 101 each; Bonart, Rilly Vertross, and Expect To See, 104 each; Charles at Los Angeles, 109; Mary Crodelene, 111; Sally Preston, 110; Sir Topham, 112; Regal Lad, 114; De. 118.

Eleventh race—Three furlongs. Alship, 109; Little Jane, Martins, Matt Gentry, Alenon, Ordey, Auditor, and Rebo, 104 each; Rick, Cannon Ball, Harry Jack H. and Woodrow, 105 each; Toboggan, 110.

Twelfth race—One mile. Blahout, 107; Yads and Big Bow, 106 each; Alma Dufour, 103; Debar, 101; St. Valentine, 100.

Thirteenth race—Five furlongs. Miss Jesse, Burn Arnold, Goldbeck, Voting, and Windfall, 101 each; Bonart, Rilly Vertross, and Expect To See, 104 each; Charles at Los Angeles, 109; Mary Crodelene, 111; Sally Preston, 110; Sir Topham, 112; Regal Lad, 114; De. 118.

Fourteenth race—Three furlongs. Alship, 109; Little Jane, Martins, Matt Gentry, Alenon, Ordey, Auditor, and Rebo, 104 each; Rick, Cannon Ball, Harry Jack H. and Woodrow, 105 each; Toboggan, 110.

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Sixteenth race—Five furlongs. Miss Jesse, Burn Arnold, Goldbeck, Voting, and Windfall, 101 each; Bonart, Rilly Vertross, and Expect To See, 104 each; Charles at Los Angeles, 109; Mary Crodelene, 111; Sally Preston, 110; Sir Topham, 112; Regal Lad, 114; De. 118.

Seventeenth race—Three furlongs. Alship, 109; Little Jane, Martins, Matt Gentry, Alenon, Ordey, Auditor, and Rebo, 104 each; Rick, Cannon Ball, Harry Jack H. and Woodrow, 105 each; Toboggan, 110.

Y. M. C. A. MAT TOURNNEY.

Amateur Wrestlers Will Meet in Bouts at Gymnasium To-night.

The best amateur wrestling ever seen in Washington should be furnished to-night in the open amateur tournament at the Y. M. C. A. All of the acknowledged best men at the different weights are entered and the winners will gain championship glory as well as gold medals. The event of most interest will be the heavy-weight clash between McDonald, of the Y. M. C. A., and O'Donnell, of Carroll Institute. They are well matched and have been after each other's scalp for many days. The one who comes out on top will have to meet Jack Conrad, of the Y. M. C. A., a husky middle-weight, who could find no opponent in his class and has decided to go after the laurels of the big men. While Conrad is somewhat shy on weight, he is there with the speed and cleverness, and his friends think he will have the excellent chance with either McDonald or O'Donnell.

A bout which may be even more interesting than that between the heavies will be between T. S. Williams, the grappler from Gallaudet College, and Pete Schaub, of Carroll Institute. Schaub will weigh 155 pounds and have seven or eight pounds on the scale, but Williams is thoroughly game and very strong, so that he has many backers who believe that he will get the medal.

Vic Herron, of Carroll Institute, regarded as the king pin light-weight of the District, will go on with A. Rogers, of the National Guard, who has been brought out by Frank L. Head, Bones Foley, who once barely escaped being relegated to the professional ranks, will meet Kneiburger, of the Y. M. C. A., for feather-weight honors.

Frank Huseman, instructor in wrestling at the Y. M. C. A. and one of the best light-weights ever produced in Washington, will go on with Rob Roy Mackey, writer-weight champion of the South, for half an hour as an added attraction.

MATCHES FOR JACK O'BRIEN

Five Middle-weights Eager to Fight for Title.

Tommy Burns Lacked Class—Report from West to Effect that Philadelphia Was Not in Condition.

Philadelphia, Dec. 10.—There is no reason for Jack O'Brien or any of his friends to worry over the future, so far as matches are concerned. Neither should they experience any alarm over the fact that the Pacific Coast sports have passed him up when the heavy-weight title is considered. When Philadelphia Jack announced that he was through with the big fellows and that hereafter he would confine himself to the middle-weight class, immediately Tommy Ryan, publicly declared that he had retired and would transfer his "middle-weight title" to one Hugo Kelly.

So far as Ryan is concerned, no one has ever regarded him seriously as the middle-weight champion. Fitzsimmons won that title from the late Jack Dempsey and he was never beaten at the weight. If pounds. No one who understands the game can be made to believe that O'Brien will ever be able to make that weight again and be strong enough to stand up.

With Ryan—who has never had any intention of fighting a real opponent for the past ten years—and Fitzsimmons out of the way, O'Brien still can be kept busy. Hugo Kelly, Mike Schreck, Mike (Tom) Sullivan, Honey Melloy, and Joe Thomas are all anxious to get a crack at the Philadelphia middle-weight. And, with the exception of Sullivan, all are dangerous men at 155 pounds. O'Brien, if he trains carefully and starts out with the one ambition to win, and to win decisively, can beat them all, yet each contest will be surrounded with that element of doubt which makes the sport so fascinating.

There is one side to the Burns-O'Brien contest which, up to the present, has remained unpublished. The writer has received his information direct from Los Angeles, and it is most authentic. O'Brien was not in good physical condition on the night of the bout, and three days before the fight was eager to seek a postponement. Visitors had already arrived in the Southern California city; thousands of dollars had been taken for reservations, and Manager McCarry would not listen to a postponement. Even the forfeiture of O'Brien's deposit for appearance was not sufficient balm. McCarry saw by the way the seats were being sold that he was going to retrieve many of his previous losses, and O'Brien was made to believe that Burns was easy, and the Canadian was well satisfied with the loser's side of the deal.

While Burns fought a slashing bout, yet he showed in the fifth round, when he had O'Brien practically at his mercy, that he lacked class. He did not seem to be able to knock quickly, and at long range was continually outboxed. It is extremely likely that the Yale faculty will tell the football officials that a minor college or none at all will take Harvard's place on the football schedule.

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